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## CERTAIN OF VICTORY

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Geneva, Jan. 29.—In response to a request for a statement on the war, an Associated Press correspondent received the following from Crown Prince William of Germany, dated: "Near Verdun," Jan. 22.

"Every single German and Austrian is quite certain we will come out on top and will give his last drop of blood to this end. We are convinced the day will come when the people of Russia and France will find out they are only doing dirty work for England. We expect from America fair play in all questions. These are my personal ideas, but my countrymen feel the same. Goodnight."

(Signed)

"WILHELM, KRONPRINZ."

London, Jan. 29.—Russia has answered the new Austro-German offensive in Hungary and Bukovina with a sudden resumption of attack on the Germans in their own territory. The Russian army in east Prussia has again attempted to penetrate the German lines and an official report from Petrograd indicates heavy fighting is in progress. On two sections of the front, it is stated, the Germans were defeated and driven back. To the south the new Austro-German plan is developing rapidly. Vienna announces the Russians who invaded northern Hungary have been defeated and forced to retreat.

There were some fairly violent artillery engagements and one or two infantry encounters yesterday, according to the French war office. Apparently long sections of the line showed no activity whatever.

A Berlin statement says during the night an expedition squadron of German aeroplanes dropped many bombs on British provisional establishments of the fortress of Dunkirk. Attacks northwest of Nieuport and south of Labasse canal were repulsed. Russian attacks northeast of Gumbinnen (east Prussia) failed, the enemy suffering heavy losses.

## German Losses Enormous.

According to the French reports the attacks the Germans delivered against the allied lines in Flanders, France and Alsace on the first three days of the week cost them 20,000 men, to which must be added the losses suffered in their repeated attacks on the Russian entrenchments in central Poland.

All of the attacks in the west, the announcements of the allies say, met with failure, except near Caronne, where, it is admitted, the French lost 800 men, largely because of the collapse of an old quarry.

Turks have brought up reinforcements in the Trans-Caucasian region and are again on the offensive. Russian and Turkish reports are contradictory, but it is apparent severe fighting is in progress.

A Venice dispatch says the Vienna city council is demanding that the Austrian government confiscate all stocks of grain, flour and meat.

Fifty Greek villages around Kars, southern Transcaucasia, have been laid in ruins by Turks, according to a Tiflis dispatch. Flight of Greek inhabitants was precipitated, women and children suffering intensely from cold. It is reported many men among the Greeks were made prisoners and some killed.

Turks supposed to be advancing into Egypt are marooned somewhere on the desert. Not a word has been heard from them in three days.

## Mrs. Walters Indicted.

New York, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Ida Walters, known as the wife of Loris Rogers, was indicted today for murder in the first degree. It is charged she poisoned her two babies.

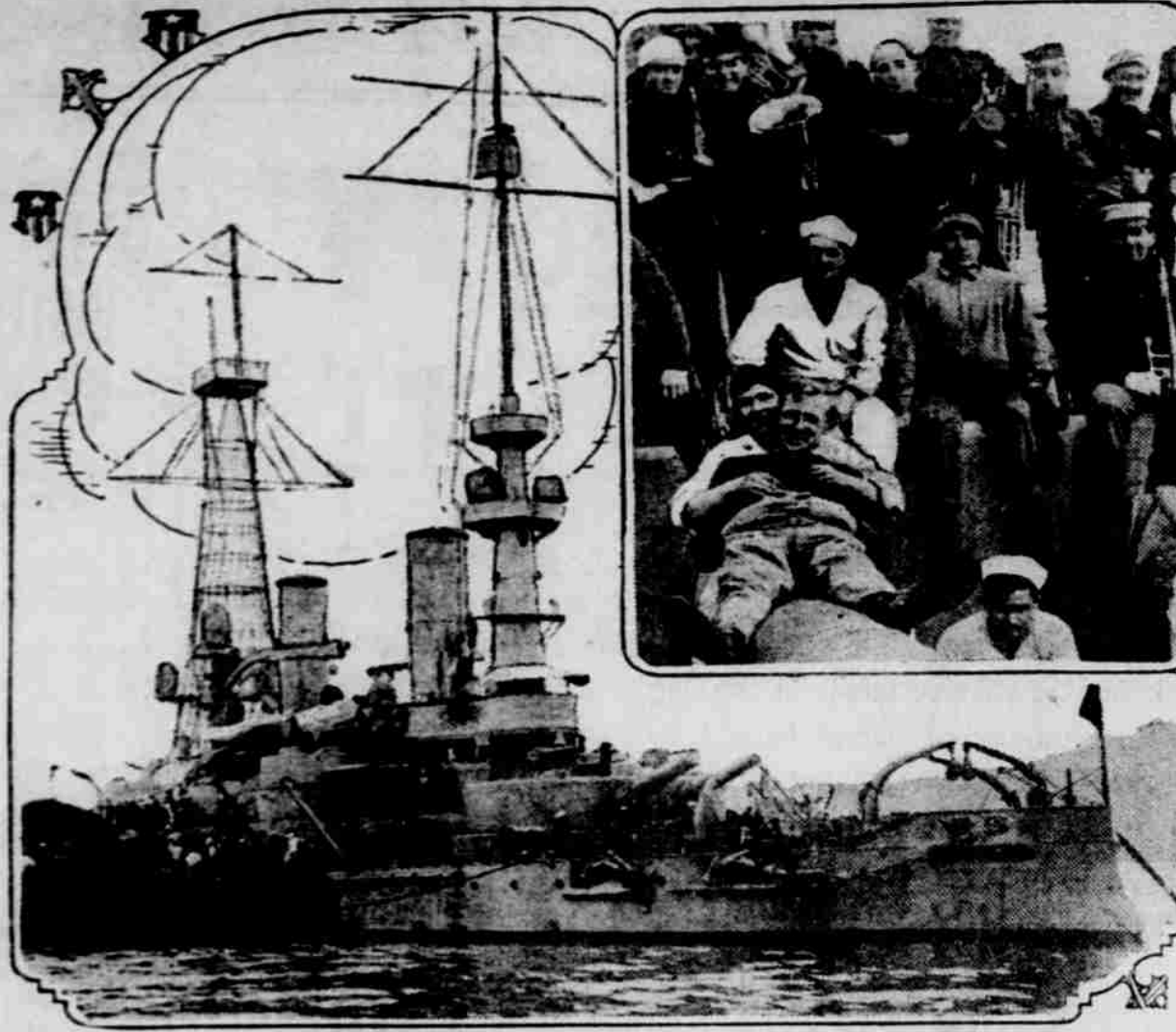
## Reulbach Released.

New York, Jan. 29.—Pitcher Edward Reulbach today was unconditionally released by the Brooklyn Nationals. He was formerly with the Chicago Nationals.

FRANK CRAWFORD  
TAKES OWN LIFE

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29.—Frank Crawford, aged 37, son of the founder of the National Biscuit company, and an official of that concern, ended his life today by leaping from the third story of his home. He was suffering from nervous disorders. Mrs. Crawford is a daughter of the late Luther Ladin.

## Famous Battleship Oregon to Leave Frisco Soon



Battleship Oregon coaling in San Francisco; members of her crew.

The famous old battleship Oregon, which has recently been remodeled by Uncle Sam at big expense, is now in San Francisco harbor. She will leave soon for Panama, where she will have the parade that will celebrate the formal opening of the Panama canal. After the opening of the canal she will return to San Francisco, where she will remain until the close of the Panama-Pacific exposition.

SLAYS WIFE AND  
POISONS HIMSELF

Former Lorena Wheeler-Beresford, Composer and Singer, Victim Insane Husband.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 29.—Ward Snyder, an old man who killed his wife in a sanitarium yesterday, died today of poison he swallowed after the crime.

Snyder's wife was formerly Mrs. Lorena Wheeler-Beresford. She had a national reputation among music lovers and critics for the numerous Indian classics of her composition. Her reputation is also based on her opera singing and several seasons in vaudeville. Arthur Beresford, her former husband, is an opera singer and instructor in Chicago. He has the custody of the two children born of their union.

The killing of the composer was the act of an insane man. The tragedy occurred in the woman's private suite in the Baptist sanitarium of Houston, where she was convalescing from the effects of an operation. A nurse was in the room when Snyder reached his wife's bedside. The attendant heard the husband say:

"Dearest, I was so afraid you wouldn't be getting well. I came here the first thing when I reached the city."

"And you'll be a good boy now," the woman was heard to reply as she patted one of the man's hands.

The nurse tiptoed out of the room. Ten minutes later the nurse came upon a dark stain trickling out from under the door of the room. She rushed into the room.

Mrs. Snyder was lying on the floor near the door. She had been slashed about the face and body and her throat was cut. Both arms had been all but severed at the elbows. The hacking had been done with a large hunting knife, which was found on the floor.

Lying across the bed was the husband. In one hand he clutched an empty bottle that had contained tablets of bichloride of mercury. The man was tossing in pain.

"It's a good job," he mumbled. Prior to Mrs. Snyder's admission to the hospital, a week ago Tuesday, she and her husband had been stopping at the Rice hotel. As soon as Mrs. Snyder was operated upon, Snyder disappeared from the hotel and, according to the police, left Houston.

It was reported he had been drinking heavily and appeared nervous. Wednesday night he returned to Houston and registered under the name of "J. M. Brooks" at another hotel. He did not occupy the room during the night. In the morning he engaged a taxi and drove to the sanitarium. He left the car and the chauffeur waiting outside. He told the chauffeur that his name was Dr. Graftus and he would return soon.

Letters which were found under Mrs. Snyder's bed indicated Ward Snyder had been married four times. He was about 45 years old and, according to the letters, had been in frequent trouble with his family. The letters revealed the elder Snyder had been sending money to his daughter-in-law and her husband had been spending it. A roll of bills, containing \$268, was found under the woman's pillow.

In Tulsa, Okla., the police are au-

WEAR CARNATIONS  
AT WHITE HOUSE

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Ohio paid tribute today to the memory of William McKinley on the occasion of the anniversary of his birth. In cities especially the carnation, the martyr president's favorite flower, was in evidence almost everywhere.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The president and employees of the White house wore carnations today in honor of the 72d birthday anniversary of William McKinley.

Authority for the statement that Snyder was convicted of bigamy nine years ago and served one year in the Muskegon federal jail. He was convicted of marrying a Sapulpa girl while he had a wife and family in Pittsburgh.

## GOLD FOUND NEAR PONTIAC

Pontiac, Ill., Jan. 29.—An assay by Chicago assayers of soil taken from the farm of Joseph Alkoe, six miles east of this city, shows free gold to the amount of \$21 and silver to the amount of 25 cents to the ton. The soil assayed is believed to be glacial drift and lies about eight inches under the surface.

## ILLINOIS NEWS

Danville, Ill., Jan. 29.—C. M. Smithwick of Cicero, Wis., a graduate of the Michigan Agricultural college, hanged himself in his room at the Cunningham hotel at Hoopston. In a note he stated that he was tired of life and that he had found the game "too tough." Smithwick came to Hoopston Monday to confer with Leonard Brothers, extensive stock raisers, relative to taking charge of some work for them.

Kankakee, Ill., Jan. 29.—Fred Giroux, a farm hand, eloped Tuesday with Miss Ida Pontowa, the 14-year-old daughter of E. J. Pontowa. They fled to Kentland, Ind., where the county clerk refused them a license because of the girl's youth. They were married Wednesday morning at Crown Point, where they obtained a license. The girl's father and some neighbors followed the couple to Crown Point, but they had gone toward Chicago.

Kewanee, Ill., Jan. 29.—W. B. Dennis, 80 years old, won first prize in the old fiddlers' contest, open to Henry county citizens, at the Civic club mid-winter exposition here. Mr. Dennis then attempted an old-fashioned jig before thousands of spectators, but his strength failed and he fell exhausted.

Champaign, Ill., Jan. 29.—Friends of J. C. Young of Chicago, who were taking him to Metropolis for treatment, brought him to the city prison here when he became unruly on the train. Young is demented, his friends say.

Canal Ceremonies in July.  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—Formal announcement of the postponement of the opening ceremonies of the Panama canal from March until July was made today by Secretary Daniels. The president will go to the San Francisco exposition in March and to the canal in July.

FOUNDATION GOOD  
DR. ELIOT BELIEFHolds Influence Exercised Over  
College Presidents by Wealth  
Is Helpful.

New York, Jan. 29.—Rockefeller donations to educational institutions have influenced policies of presidents of universities and colleges in many instances, but the influence always has been good, said Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard today, at the federal industrial commission's inquiry into philanthropic foundations and causes of social unrest. Eliot is connected with the general education board and other philanthropic foundations established by Carnegie and Rockefeller. He thought the general education board had given \$200,000,000 to education since 1912. He said he believed legislation providing uniform wage and working hours a bad thing. "Conditions are different in all industries," he said. "What would be good for one body of workers would be bad for another. One reason why workers found it so hard to make wages go so far as they should, Eliot declared, was because they fought and ate too much meat."

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ADMITS HE PERJURED IN  
DEFENDING LEO M. FRANK

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29.—Rev. C. B. Ragsdale, formerly pastor of a local church, testified in the superior court yesterday that he was paid \$200 for signing a false affidavit to be used in the defense of Leo M. Frank.

Ragsdale was the first witness in the trial of Dan S. Lehon, southern manager of the Burns Detective agency; Arthur Thurman, a lawyer; and C. C. Tedder, a former policeman, charged with subornation of perjury in connection with affidavits signed by Ragsdale and R. L. Barber.

In the affidavit Ragsdale and Barber declared they overheard James Conley, a negro, confess he had killed a girl in a factory where Mary Phagan was murdered.

Joseph Hopp's Daughter Killed.  
Miss Ethel Hopp, 19-year-old daughter of Joseph Hopp of Chicago, lessee of the Family picture theatre in this city, was killed in Chicago last night in an automobile collision.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for  
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline  
and Vicinity.

Mostly cloudy and unsettled tonight and Saturday, rising temperature with the lowest tonight about 10 degrees above zero.

Temperature at 7 a. m. zero. Highest yesterday, 12, lowest last night 2 below zero.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 3 miles per hour.

Precipitation none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 43, at 7 a. m. 96.

Stage of water 3.1 a fall of .2 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Erening stars: Jupiter, Saturn, Morning stars: Venus, Mars, Pollux, twin star of Castor in meridian south of the point overband at 11:26 p. m.

NORRIS JOINS  
SUPPORT FOR  
SHIP BUY BILLFirst Republican to Give  
Backing to Adminis-  
tration Measure

## TWO CHANGES SOUGHT

Wants Government to Continue  
the Trade After Lines  
Are Profitable.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The government ship purchase bill received its first support from the republican side today when Senator Norris declared if two amendments he offered were adopted he would vote for it. One amendment would continue the government in the shipping business even after lines it established became profitable. Keaton, progressive republican, offered two amendments, one of which would eliminate cabinet officers from the proposed shipping board.

By a vote of eight to three the house committee voted to report the immigration bill back to the house with recommendation that it be repassed over the president's veto.

The house began consideration of the naval appropriation bill with an agreement to conclude debate at 11 p. m.

Plans for additional revenue legislation were discussed by congressional leaders today. The only definite development was that the subject should be considered at the next congress. Secretary Wilson said the preliminary reports indicated many employers and workmen were taking advantage of the federal employment bureau.

## THREATENS CLOSED SHOP

Carter Intimates Brotherhoods May  
Adopt a New Policy.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29.—W. S. Carter told the board of arbitration in the western railroad wage hearing that the application of wage schedules obtained by the unions and non-union workers as well as a custody never before disputed on railroads, and that if the railroads insist on the point now, with reference to negro firemen employed on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad, the Brotherhood of Firemen will be compelled to abandon their "open" shop policy and adopt that of the "closed" shop.

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An assertion, said to have been made by Warren S. Stone in the eastern arbitration, that the pay of engineers in this territory should be as much, if not more than those in western territory, was called to his attention by James M. Sheehan, attorney for the railroads. Stone represented the engineers in the eastern case, as he represents them in the present arbitration.

"I won't say that I didn't say it," said he, "but in the so-called arbitration in the east it was a minimum wage scale that was adopted."

Keefe stated that the productive efficiency of the eastern engineers, as measured by tonnage hauled, was 40 per cent greater than in the west.

In addition to having a higher rate of pay in the west, Keefe said that there were railroad divisions in the west of 80 miles or less where engineers and firemen are paid for 100 miles. The excess payments in a year, he said, aggregate \$1,500,000. Other testimony by Keefe was to the effect that locomotives average smaller in the west than in the east, train loads are smaller and railroad building has increased faster in the west than in the east, despite a lighter density of population.

Wages of steamship captains, engineers and firemen were mentioned by the witness. The captains in the service of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, he said, received from \$210 to \$275 a month and the chief engineers \$160 to \$200 a month. Firemen receive \$45 where they are not assistants. Rates on other steamship lines were about the same, he said.

## Governor Clarke Makes Reply.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 29.—Replying to the senate demand for a detailed statement of so-called graft charges in his message to the legislature, Governor Clarke said the senate was employing more doorkeepers than there were doors, and that wealthy farmers who were old soldiers were given preference to needy veterans. Citizens of Menio petitioned he senate to pass a law offering bounty for killing rats and mice so as to provide work for boys, cripples and old men.

INDUCES BRITAIN  
TO LIFT EMBARGO

B. G. Work.

Akron, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Successful in his mission, B. G. Work, president of the B. F. Goodrich company of Akron, has just returned from England, where he went as representative of the rubber industry of America to try to lift the British government's ban on the exportation of crude rubber from English colonies in the far east to the United States.

The rubber embargo threatened during the two months it was in effect to paralyze the rubber industry of this country, as more than half of the rubber used in the United States comes from the plantations of the East Indies. South American rubber was in the market, but the limited supply, coupled with the exceptional demand, caused the price to go so high that manufacturers claimed that it made the price of rubber products prohibitive. American manufacturers were unwilling to buy the Brazilian rubber at the advanced price also, unless they knew the English embargo would be permanent. Else the later releasing of rubber held under embargo would flood the market with the product at a cheaper price and place them at a great disadvantage.

Automobile tires are the chief products of the rubber industry which employs some 25,000 men in this country, of which nearly half work in Akron, but Work's company manufactures some 15,000 different rubber products.

On the announcement of Work's success in lifting the embargo, arrangements were made in Akron to put 3,000 men back to work who had been idle during the embargo.

SCRATCH GRAHAM  
FOR SPEAKERSHIPWets Refuse to Accept Mercer  
County Representative as  
a Candidate.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 29.—Talk of a bi-partisan organization of the house was general among members still in Springfield today. All negotiations between wet and dry republicans for selection of a candidate for speaker have been broken off.

The deadlock has now run one day longer than the record-breaking deadlock of two years ago. The house stands adjourned till next Wednesday. Walter Provine, republican caucus nominee for speaker, is ready to withdraw when all elements in his party agree upon a new speaker. Those who are now being discussed are Medill McCormick, Chicago; William J. Graham, Alton; John D. Turnbaugh, Mount Carroll; James M. Pace, Macomb; and Simon E. Lantz, Congerville.

Graham is a former state's attorney of Mercer county. Turnbaugh is a former county judge of Carroll county. Pace is a hotel proprietor in Macomb. Lantz is a farmer.

Wet members of the sub-committee announced that they would not accept Graham.

QUITS PULPIT, BLAMING  
DIVORCE SUIT AS CAUSE

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 29.—After he had resigned from the pulpit of the Centenary Methodist church, the wealthiest protestant congregation in Terre Haute, Dr. O. E. Mark yesterday resigned from the ministry. The final step was taken when Dr. J. G. Campbell, district superintendent, requested him to deliver his parchments of ordination. Dr. Mark said the action was due to his suing for divorce on grounds other than that recognized by the church. Members of the official board of the church said action was brought about by the investigation of charges of misconduct on the part of the minister. His suit for divorce makes a charge of cruel and inhuman treatment against Mrs. Mark and asks custody of the minor son.

## Miss Cope Out on Bond.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29.—Miss Jessie Cope, charged with attempted bribe of federal officials, was released on bond of \$1,000 and her case continued indefinitely. Her indictment was the outgrowth of her charge that Charles Alexander, Rhode Island millionaire, violated the Mann act.

MEXICO CITY  
IS IN CONTROL  
OF CARRANZAOld Rebel Chief Returns  
After Strengthening His  
Fighting Forces

## ZAPATISTAS RETREAT

Ruler on Way From Vera Cruz  
to Reestablish Government  
—Villa in the North.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The unconfirmed report in Mexico City that General Villa had been seriously injured has been received from Consul Silliman. Silliman telegraphed that Obregon had entered the capital unresisted at 2 p. m. yesterday with 10,000 men. Quiet prevailed.

Mexico City, Jan. 29.—The capital today is again in the hands of the forces of General Carranza. The new authorities reestablished order when General Obregon's troops approached the national palace.

After entering the capital at 4 in the afternoon they were fired on by snipers hidden on the roof of the cathedral. Obregon said the shots undoubtedly were directed towards him and that it was attempted assassination. The perpetrators have not been captured. Three soldiers were killed and a number wounded during the fighting.

By evening 20,000 additional Carranza troops had entered the capital. The Zapatista forces as a whole left the city on the appearance of Obregon and retreated southward. All saloons were closed, but commercial houses and banks declared they would resume business immediately.

Chief on the Way.  
Carranza will, according to Vera Cruz advices, return to the capital immediately and it is probable he will reestablish his government there in the near future.

The postmaster general has a sufficient number of employees to handle the department and 60 telegraphers are already on the way from Vera Cruz to Mexico City. This is the second time Carranza has been in power. He first entered the capital Aug. 29 last, following the retirement of Huerta. For a time peace reigned, then the old dispute between Carranza and Villa was revived. Villa issued an ultimatum that Carranza must retire. Early in November a convention of revolutionary chiefs at Asmas Calientes proclaimed General Gutierrez provisional president and Villa took steps to install him in office.

Gutierrez and Garza Flee.

Villa began a march on the capital, but Carranza, seeing he was outnumbered, left the capital, taking his forces toward Vera Cruz, which he occupied when the Americans evacuated that place Nov. 23. Since then Gutierrez himself has fled, owing, it is said, to fear of Villa. He was succeeded by Garza, who left the capital Jan. 27 on the approach of the Obregon forces, Villa having previously marched north with his troops.

In some quarters it is reported Villa is planning a new republic with seat of government in the north.

CHAINS AND ROAD IRON  
LOCKED TO BOY'S NECK

Phillips, Wis., Jan. 29.—Albert Hartmann, 19, narrowly escaped lynching yesterday when his son was brought to the city by Sheriff Hicks loaded down with seven feet of log chain and a piece of railroad iron weighing 21 pounds as punishment for having gone to a dance last Saturday.

With the thermometer 26 degrees below zero the boy went to school three days, walking three miles and carrying the heavy burden, before the authorities intervened.

The chain was padlocked about the boy's neck, and another padlock locked the railroad iron to the chain. The keys had been thrown into a well and the sheriff brought the boy to town to have a blacksmith cut the chain.

Jason Coming With Exhibits.  
Genoa, Italy, Jan. 29.—The United States ship Jason, loaded with exhibits for the Panama-Pacific exposition, gathered at French Mediterranean ports, will leave here tomorrow.

EXCEPT GRAIN IN  
QUARANTINE RULE

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29.—Grain stored in elevators in 15 Illinois counties placed in quarantine against the foot and mouth disease was excepted today from the quarantine order proclaimed Monday by Governor Dunne.